



Outdoor Education Strong Kids Funding Information

YMCA Strong Kids is a nationwide campaign to ensure that youth across Canada have access to services such as YMCA Camp Elphinstone's Outdoor Education Program regardless of their ability to pay. The YMCA is committed to improving the lives of children, teens and young adults by providing opportunities to live healthier and happier lives. We provide safe places, caring and trained volunteers, staff and programs which teach life skills, leadership and that PLAY is important for everyone.

All schools are welcome to apply for Financial Assistance through our Strong Kids program. We have two types of funding applications – Vulnerable Schools and Vulnerable Families.

Vulnerable Schools

These are schools that have been designated by the school district as an “inner city” or “vulnerable” school meaning there are a high number of low income or “at risk” youth.

Vulnerable schools can qualify for blanket coverage of up to 15% of total cost before tax up to \$2000.

To apply for Vulnerable Schools Strong Kids Funding:

- 1) Check the Vulnerable Schools list to see if your school qualifies. The list was updated in 2013.
- 2) Fill in the Application Form and submit to YMCA Camp Elphinstone.
- 3) Ask your principal to provide a letter outlining your school's fundraising efforts for your trip to YMCA Camp Elphinstone. Your goal should be to raise an amount equivalent to the funding provided by the YMCA.
- 4) Inform families about the YMCA Strong Kids program. You can invite our staff to come to your school to speak with students, teachers and/or parents.
- 5) Provide “Letters of Impact” from students after your trip to camp for YMCA use in promoting our Strong Kids Program. Stories from students help potential donors understand the importance of bringing these opportunities to youth.

Vulnerable Families

We understand that the costs involved in sending students to camp may be too much for some families, which is why we also offer schools the opportunity to apply for assistance for specific students.

To apply for Vulnerable Families Strong Kids Funding:

- 1) Fill in the Application Form and submit to YMCA Camp Elphinstone. You will need some basic information about each student.
- 2) Ask your principal to provide a letter outlining your school's fundraising efforts for your trip to YMCA Camp Elphinstone. Your goal should be to raise an amount equivalent to the funding provided by the YMCA.
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List of Vulnerable Schools

We have contacted each school district and asked them to provide us with a list of schools designated “vulnerable” or “inner city”. Some districts do not use these designations. If your school appears on one of the following lists you will qualify as a “Vulnerable School”, if not, please apply for the Vulnerable Family Assistance.

SD34 – Abbotsford School District – NO LIST. PLEASE APPLY FOR VULNERABLE FAMILIES.

SD35 – Langley School District

Alice Brown Elementary	Langley Meadows Elementary	Shortreed Community
Coghlan Fundamental	Nicomekl Community	Simonds Elementary
Douglas Park Community	Noel Booth Elementary	Wix-Brown Elementary
Glenwood Elementary	North Otter Elementary	
HDS Middle School	Parkside Centennial	

SD36 – Surrey School District

AHP Matthew Elementary	Hjorth Road Elementary	Newton Learning Centre
Bear Creek Elementary	Holly Elementary	North Surrey Learning Centre
Beaver Creek Elementary	James Ardiel Elementary	Old Yale Road Elementary
Betty Huff Elementary	Jessie Lee Elementary	Prince Charles Elementary
Bridgeview Elementary	Johnston Heights Secondary	Princess Margaret Secondary
Cedar Hills Elementary	KB Woodward Elementary	Queen Elizabeth Secondary
Cloverdale Learning Centre	Kennedy Trail Elementary	Riverdale Elementary
Forsyth Road Elementary	Kirkbride Elementary	Simon Cunningham Elementary
Frank Hurt Secondary	Kwantlen Park Secondary	Sunnyside Elementary
Georges Vanier Elementary	LA Matheson Secondary	WE Kinvig Elementary
Guildford Learning Centre	Lena Shaw Elementary	Westerman Elementary
Guildford Park Secondary	MJ Shannon Elementary	White Rock/South Surrey Learning Centre

SD37 – Delta School District – NO LIST. PLEASE APPLY FOR VULNERABLE FAMILIES.

SD38 – Richmond School District – NO LIST. PLEASE APPLY FOR VULNERABLE FAMILIES.

SD39 – Vancouver School District

Admiral Seymour Elementary	Hastings Elementary & Tillicum Annex	Mount Pleasant Elementary
Britannia Secondary	Henderson Elementary	Florence Nightingale Elementary
Captain James Cook Elementary	Lord Selkirk Elementary	Queen Alexandra Elementary
General Brock Elementary	Lord Strathcona Elementary	Thunderbird Elementary
Grandview Elementary	Queen Victoria Annex	Sir William Macdonald Elementary

SD40 – New Westminster

Lord Kelvin	John Robson
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SD41 – Burnaby

Armstrong Elementary	Edmonds Community School	Second Street Community School
Byrne Creek Secondary	Maywood Community School	Stride Avenue Community School
Douglas Road Elementary	Morley Elementary	Windsor Elementary

SD42 – Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows School District – NO LIST. PLEASE APPLY FOR VULNERABLE FAMILIES.

SD43 – Coquitlam School District

Alderson Elementary	James Park Elementary	Moody Elementary
Banting Middle School	Lord Baden Powell Elementary	Port Moody Secondary
Centennial Secondary	Maillard Middle School	Rochester Elementary
Central Community School	Maple Creek Middle School	Roy Stibbs Elementary
Glen Elementary	Meadowbrook Elementary	Terry Fox Secondary
Irvine Elementary		

SD44 – North Vancouver School District

Lynnmour Elementary	Queen Mary Elementary
Norgate Community Elementary	Westview Elementary

SD93 – Conseil Scolaire Francophone – NO LIST. PLEASE APPLY FOR VULNERABLE FAMILIES.



Vulnerable Schools

Strong Kids Financial Assistance Application Form

Today's Date: _____

School: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Fax: _____

Dates of Camp Visit: _____

Organizer/Contact Person: _____

Principal: _____

Total Students: _____

Total Chaperones: _____

Checklist for Vulnerable Schools Assistance :

	YES	NO	DETAILS
Principal Letter Attached	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
YMCA Information Night	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____
<small>*one of our staff will visit your school to speak with students, parents and/or teachers</small>			
Letters of Impact	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____

As representatives of _____ (your school), we will provide all documentation necessary to satisfy the requirements of the Strong Kids Outdoor Education Vulnerable Schools Financial Assistance Application, as well as inform our students, teachers and parents about the importance of Strong Kids Funding. If necessary, we will host a YMCA Outdoor Education Information Night. We will provide Letters of Impact from our participants within two weeks of leaving YMCA Camp Elphinstone, and these letters may be used to promote YMCA programs or fundraising endeavors.

Signature of School Trip Organizer

Signature of School Principal



Vulnerable Families

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Signature of School Principal

Vulnerable Family Information

Please provide basic information about the students requiring financial assistance. Personal information will not be released nor shared, it is for our records only.

Student Name: _____

Age: _____

Financial Situation: _____

School or Family Contribution: _____

Student Name: _____

Age: _____

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